

SERVIAN HEIR RENOUNCES HIS CLAIM TO THRONE

Crown Prince, Suspected of
Causing Servant's Death,
Gives Up All His Rights.

WILL LEAVE COUNTRY.

Forced to the Action by Pub-
lic Sentiment, Strong
Against Him.

BELGRADE, March 25.—George, Crown Prince of Servia, has renounced his right to succession to the Servian throne. This action is the result of a bitter press campaign in which the Crown Prince was accused of being the cause of the recent death of one of his servants, a man named Kolakovich. In a letter to Premier Nezakovich today the Crown Prince announces that he has taken this step rather than rest under the suspicion of having murdered his servant, and that by the renunciation he foregoes all special privileges and immunities that attach to the person of the heir to the throne. Continuing, he expresses his willingness to proceed abroad for a lengthy sojourn.

Excitement at Belgrade. The servant Kolakovich was removed to a hospital last week suffering from serious internal injuries, and he died after an operation. According to the report of the doctors who performed an autopsy on the body, the man suffered from hernia and his death was due to serious injury consequent upon falling downstairs. The press and the public, however, refused to accept this explanation and openly voiced their suspicions that the Crown Prince was responsible for the murder of his servant. The scandal grew to such proportions that it was impossible to hush it up, and the final outcome was the announcement of the Crown Prince to the Premier.

Immediately upon the receipt of the Prince's letter the Premier notified the members of the Cabinet of its contents and summoned an emergency meeting of the Cabinet for this afternoon at which King Peter will preside.

The action of the Crown Prince has created a profound sensation here. The National Assembly at once adjourned upon hearing the news. The newspapers issued extra editions, and the intelligence quickly caused the assemblage of excited knots of people in the public places of the city.

According to the terms of the Servian Constitution the renunciation of the Crown Prince can be accepted only by the Grand National Assembly. His riotous living has alienated the affections of the Servian people, and it often has been said that they would welcome the substitution of his younger brother, Alexander, as heir to the throne.

Accused the Prince. According to current reports, Kolakovich before his death asserted that the injuries to his head and abdomen had been inflicted by the Crown Prince. There have been many previous reports of the brutalities of this half-bred youth since he came to Belgrade after the murders of King Alexander and Queen Draga in 1903. Statesmen and officials of high and low degree are said to have been beaten and fired on by the Prince during fits of crazy anger. Another story credits him with the murder of a gamekeeper, and still another with an attempt to kill two footmen who opposed his efforts to force his way into a Belgrade convent.

The renunciation of the Crown Prince brings a new and perhaps important element into the crisis between Austria-Hungary and Servia which is indirectly affecting all the great powers of Europe. The Prince has been recognized as one of the radical "lightning element," and while this is not the reason publicly assigned for his withdrawal, it may yet exert an important calming influence on the present crisis.

The young Prince has been the central figure of several sensational episodes since he came to Belgrade with his father, culminating with the latest affair of the murdered servant. He still managed to hold a considerable follow-

CROWN PRINCE OF SERVIA, WHO GIVES UP THRONE RIGHTS



PRINCE GEORGE.

ing among the people, mainly because of his warlike declarations as to maintaining Servia's position by force of arms against all outside influences.

VIENNA, March 25.—Official despatches have been received here confirming the statement that George, Crown Prince of Servia, has renounced his right to the throne of that country.

It is reported here that the Prince has fled the country, and another rumor is that he has resigned in favor of his younger brother Alexander.

CROWN PRINCE HAS LONG, QUEER RECORD.

Crown Prince George of Servia has been Europe's royalist royal souse for many years. One of his most pleasing eccentricities which engaged the attention of the world was his feat of catching a live mouse in the courtyard of the palace and insisting that the sentinel at the door should bite its head off. The officials of the Servian Greek Church have long been harassed by George's bad example to the nation in regard to them. The Bishop of Belgrade sent a secretary to him three years ago to ask him to either stay away from church altogether or cease coming in notably at such a late hour that he disturbed the service. Prince George snatched the secretary's face and hurled it to the church to chastise the bishop. Only the fact that the bishop heard he was coming and discreetly left the place saved the nation from a sacrilegious scandal.

Prince George has done more than any other one man to stir up the bad feeling between Servia and Hungary, now so intense that war is threatened.

One of his favorite amusements was to cause a naval crew to row him to the Hungarian shore and stand to their oars while he hurled obscene epithets at the Hungarian soldiers who came down to the beach to meet him; he included insults to the Hungarian ruling family in his remarks. On one such occasion the Hungarian officer in command ordered his soldiers to fire on the Servian heir, and George retired to his native shores, followed by a stream of bullets.

Kicked the Losers. Prince George has been particularly notorious for his admiration for fat chorus girls. He frequently collected a number of them and ordered them to engage in high kicking contests. The winners he rewarded with much applause and with caresses. He beat and kicked the losers. He has always been conspicuously parsimonious even in his debaucheries.

Once when a party of court officials at his father's instigation undertook to moderate the disorder created by one of his chorus girl parties, he ordered them put in a dungeon and solemnly announced that at some future date he would decide whether they should be drowned in champagne or tickled to death by the fat girls of whom they disapproved. They were secretly released several days later, after he had forgotten about them.

George was constantly embroiled in street fights of his own picking. Unless he was assailed recognized him as one of royal blood he was usually soundly beaten. When rumors that he was of unsound mind engaged public attention, George went to the Prime Minister's Office with a horsewhip and obtained signed denials of all the rumors, which he bulldozed the editors of the Servian newspapers into printing.



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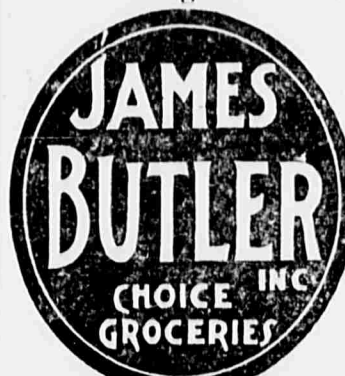
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